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In response, Applicant notes that Claim 77 is directed to species II, as that species is identified by the Examiner in an Office communication mailed on June 15, 2001. As noted above, Applicant had previously elected species I.

Applicant also notes that the Examiner has found Claim 65 to be generic, and Applicant submits that after amendment it remains generic, to at least species I and II. Applicant submits that Claim 53 is also generic to these embodiments. Because Claims 56-58, 67 and 77 are allowable if a generic claim is allowable, Applicant submits that at least Claims 53 and 65 are allowable and, accordingly, requests reinstatement of Claims 56-58, 67 and 77.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same. If some issue remains which the Examiner feels may be addressed by Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned for authorization.

Respectfully submitted,

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